

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT General Services Agency	(2) MEETING DATE 3/26/2013	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Curtis Black 781-5204		SEC
(4) SUBJECT Request to authorize a Budget Adjustment Request in the amount of \$287,968 from the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) grant funding revenue, and \$71,992 from the SLO-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Higuera Street project to the Avila-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Ontario Road project. District 3.				
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board fund the proposed project to provide preliminary engineering work on the Bob Jones Trail by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Authorizing a Budget Adjustment Request in the amount of \$287,968 from the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) grant and;</li> <li>2. Approving the transfer of \$71,992 in Park Public Facilities Fees (PFF) funding from the "SLO-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Higuera St." project that contains Park PFF funding designated to be used for Bob Jones Trail projects to the "Avila-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Ontario Rd." project that is actively being used to complete the preliminary engineering for the Bob Jones Trail project. Both projects are in fund Center 230 Capital Projects; (four-fifths vote required).</li> </ol>				
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) SAFETEA-LU Grant: \$287,698, Parks PFF; \$71,992	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$359,960.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? No	
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____ ) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____ )				
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A				
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR)		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: 1213108 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(14) LOCATION MAP Attached	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: _____		
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Vincent Morici				
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 3 -				

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Agency / Curtis Black 781-5204

DATE: 3/26/2013

SUBJECT: Request to authorize a Budget Adjustment Request in the amount of \$287,968 from the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) grant funding revenue, and \$71,992 from the SLO-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Higuera Street project to the Avila-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Ontario Road project. District 3.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board fund the proposed project to provide preliminary engineering work on the Bob Jones Trail by:

1. Authorizing a Budget Adjustment Request in the amount of \$287,968 from the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) grant and;
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## **DISCUSSION**

The Bob Jones Trail- San Luis Obispo to Ontario Road project will ultimately develop an approximately 4.4 mile long mostly Class I multi-use bicycle/pedestrian path connecting the existing bikeway along South Higuera Street from the Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County's Octagon Barn south to the County's Ontario Road Staging Area. The project is expected to provide an alternative transportation corridor as well as an important recreation corridor for residents of and visitors to San Luis Obispo County

The project is currently in the environmental study and review phase. This project funding will be used to complete the preliminary engineering phase of work including environmental studies necessary to move this project into the permitting, easement/ right-of-way acquisition, and construction phases. The timing of subsequent phases of the project is dependent on additional funding sources. A portion of the funding for subsequent phases of the project has been secured. Additional construction funding will continue to be sought through grant funding sources.

The preliminary cost analysis for the ultimate construction of the project, based on a 2008 Engineers Estimate is approximately 10 million dollars. Construction cost estimates will vary based on the final design and constraints of the project. Possible constraints include: bridges at creek crossings; acquisition of easements and right-of-ways; and environmental impacts.

The San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) works closely with the County to pursue transportation grant funding, through the California Department of Transportation, for projects that complement the regional transportation intermodal vision and add to the quality of life for the residents of San Luis Obispo County. SLOCOG has programmed \$287,968 in SAFETEA-LU grant funds. These funds are administered through the California Department of

Transportation, to fund the preliminary engineering phase of the Bob Jones Trail project. A local match of \$71,992 is required to allocate this funding.

Park Public Facilities Fees (PFF) are impact fees assessed on new residential development, and are collected upon construction of new residential units, "for the construction, expansion or improvement of Public Facilities, the need for which is caused by new development projects" (PFF - SLO County Ordinance 18.01.010). It is recommended to use PFF funds that have already been allocated to the SLO-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Higuera St. project as the local match for the SAFETEA-LU grant.

#### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

San Luis Obispo Council of Governments, California Department of Transportation

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The requested Budget Adjustment Request is in the amount of \$287,968 from the SAFETEA-LU grant funding revenue to Capital Projects Fund Center 230 (WBS 300020) and \$71,992 from the SLO-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Higuera St. project (WBS 320022) to Capital Projects Fund Center 230 (WBS 300020). Two capital projects have been established for the Bob Jones Trail project. One of them is identified as "SLO-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Higuera St." and contains Park Public Facilities Fees (PFF) designated for the Bob Jones Trail project. The other project is identified as "Avila-Bob Jones Trail Extension-Ontario Rd." and contains grant funding and PFF funding actively being used to complete the preliminary engineering for the Bob Jones Trail project.

Based on a 2003 feasibility study, annual operation and maintenance costs are estimated at \$10,000/mile (except for flood-prone areas, which are \$15,000/mile). Annual maintenance costs for the project are estimated to run between \$40,000 and \$50,000. At the time this project is ready for construction, operation and maintenance funding will need to be identified.

#### **RESULTS**

Authorization of this item will assist the Bob Jones Trail project in continuing to move forward with the ultimate goal of constructing a multi-use bicycle/pedestrian pathway between the Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County's Octagon Barn south to the County's Ontario Road Staging Area, supporting the County's goal of providing a livable community.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Attachment A - Vicinity Map